

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. NO.: 4702-01  
BILL NO.: HB 2134  
SUBJECT: Children and Minors; Crimes and Punishment; Family Law; Health Care  
 Professionals; Hospitals  
TYPE: Original  
DATE: April 6, 2000

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
None			
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
None			
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

**ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Department of Social Services**, the **Office of Attorney General**, the **Department of Health**, and the **Cooper County Memorial Hospital** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agencies.

Officials from the **Barton County Memorial Hospital**, the **Cass Medical Center**, the **Excelsior Springs Medical Center**, the **Lincoln County Memorial Hospital**, the **Pemiscot Memorial Hospital**, the **Phelps County Regional Medical Center**, the **Ray County Memorial Hospital**, the **Samaritan Memorial Hospital**, and the **Ste. Genevieve County Memorial Hospital** did not respond to our fiscal impact request.

<b><u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u></b>	<b>FY 2001 (10 Mo.)</b>	<b>FY 2002</b>	<b>FY 2003</b>
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b><u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u></b>	<b>FY 2001 (10 Mo.)</b>	<b>FY 2002</b>	<b>FY 2003</b>
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

**FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business**

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

**DESCRIPTION**

This proposal would establish an affirmative defense to the crimes of abandonment of a child in the first degree (Section 568.030, RSMo) and endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree (Section 568.045) and second degree (Section 568.050) if a parent would leave his or her newborn in the custody of a licensed medical facility and the newborn is no more than 30 days old and has not been abused. The medical facility must treat the child, if necessary, and contact the Division of Family Services, which would be required to take custody of the child within 6 hours of being contacted

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DESCRIPTION (continued)

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Social Services  
Department of Health  
Office of Attorney General  
Cooper County Memorial Hospital

**NOT RESPONDING: Barton County Memorial Hospital, Cass Medical Center, Excelsior Springs Medical Center, Lincoln County Memorial Hospital, Pemiscot Memorial Hospital, Phelps County Regional Medical Center, Ray County Memorial Hospital, Samaritan Memorial Hospital, Ste. Genevieve County Memorial Hospital**



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